

WAR MATRON DEAD.

Mrs Sarah Gallup Gregg, the Old  
Army Nurse, Dies at the  
Age of 87 Years.

SHE SERVED DURING THE WAR.

Was Matron at Camp Butler, Was at  
Vicksburg and Brought Back  
800 Sick and Wound-  
ed Soldiers.

Decatur, Ill., May 21.—Mrs. Sarah Gal-  
lup Gregg, died here last night aged 87.  
At the breaking out of the late war, she  
took an active part in the relief corps and  
sanitary commission. She served as a  
nurse in two regiments and as matron in  
the United States General Hospital at  
Camp Butler near Springfield. During  
the siege of Vicksburg she took a corps of  
nurses down the river remaining there  
three months, finally bringing back nearly  
800 sick and wounded soldiers of Illi-  
nois, Iowa, Indiana and Ohio regiments.  
She returned to Camp Butler and contin-  
ued matron there until close of the war.

MAN SHOTS HIMSELF.

He Falls Dead Behind the Fort Dearborn  
Massacre Monument.

Chicago, May 20.—An unidentified man  
committed suicide yesterday afternoon  
beside the Fort Dearborn massacre monu-  
ment, which adjoins George M. Pull-  
man's residence at Eighteenth street and  
Columbus avenue. He fired a bullet into  
his right temple and fell on his face be-  
hind the statue. Albert Loettich, Mr.  
Pullman's gardener, was within a few  
feet of the man and endeavored to prevent  
the act, but the suicide was too quick for  
him. By the time the ambulance arrived  
the man was dead. Loettich says he was  
either insane or intoxicated. He was  
about 50 years old, partly bald, with dark  
brown hair and a sandy mustache. He  
wore a new suit of cheap clothes. He  
was probably a German and a laborer.

Old Males' Carnival.

The members of the Revere lodge, I O  
G. T. U. have issued the program for "The  
Old Males' Carnival," a home talent  
production which they will give at the  
opera house on Friday evening. Besides  
the play a solo will be given by Earl Wil-  
son and Miss Riber who is managing the  
entertainment, will give a humorous recit-  
ation. The following young ladies will  
assume the several characters of the play:  
Misses Pearl Lilly, Ida Daily, Marie  
Wheeler, Ida Moore, Frances Priest, Alma  
Kees, Miss Beaman, Katie Kendall,  
Mamie Priest, Rosa Ruokio, Minnie  
Kitchie and Madeline Larrack, Schminck,  
Kazar and Lightfoot. The play is a three-  
act comedy and those who have witnessed  
the production in other cities say that it  
affords an evening of continuous enjoy-  
ment. The carnival will close with a  
Grecian drill in which the following ladies  
will take part: Misses Laura Chibol,  
Ella Moore, Katie Kendall, Bena Bower,  
May Kirk, Thille Jacobs, Lottie Ham-  
mond, Lottie Meek, Ella Reed, Ida Daily,  
Bertha Doty, Nellie Nikohie, Hilda Bed-  
ford, Ida DeBaum, Frances Priest and  
Sadie Dillinger. Miss Guselle Blenz will  
play the accompaniment for the drill.

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EVIDENCE AGAINST LUETGERT.

False Tooth, Supposed to be His Wife's,  
Found in the Vat.

Chicago, May 21.—One of the most im-  
portant discoveries in the Luetgert wife  
murder case has been made in the base-  
ment of the sausage factory where the  
crime is believed to have taken place.  
Under the vat in which Mrs. Luetgert's  
body was supposed to have been eaten up  
by acids, was found a false tooth, which  
it is declared was that of the missing wo-  
man. The dentist who fitted it to her  
mouth was found late last night and he is  
expected to identify it. In addition the  
police discovered in the vat some more  
hair which two expert chemists submit-  
ted to a microscopical test and found it to  
belong to a human being.

There is no doubt in the minds of those  
to whom the bones and contents of the  
deadly vat have been submitted that they  
are the remains of a human being, and  
the coroner has been notified that there is  
sufficient basis for holding a coroner's in-  
quest. The report of the chemist who  
analyzed the contents left in the fatal vat  
shows a solution of an alkali sufficiently  
strong and of such a character as would  
probably disintegrate the ordinary tissues  
of a human body in a few hours, provid-  
ing it was accompanied by agitation, and  
possibly an increased temperature.

Assistant State's Attorney McEwen has  
prepared a statement of the Luetgert case  
from the time it first attracted public at-  
tention to the present, reviewing the de-  
velopments and the discoveries by mem-  
bers of the police department. He scouts  
the story from Waukegan, Wis., that Mrs.  
Luetgert was seen there. His statement  
is a sort of defense to charges by Luet-  
gert's attorneys that the police are in a  
conspiracy to convict the sausage-maker  
on prepared testimony. The statement  
says:

"The defendant slept in the factory.  
Immediately following the disappearance  
of the woman he began sleeping in the  
house. He manifested utter indifference  
as to the fate of his wife, and before be-  
ing charged by any one with the crime  
went around to see those who might be  
interested in order to get their views of  
the matter. Not until six days after her  
disappearance was the case reported to  
the police, and then by the brother of the  
missing woman.

"The officers found blood stains on the  
panel of the door in Luetgert's sleeping  
room and an iron rod covered with blood.  
No killing was ever done in the factory,  
and there is no reason for blood in the  
office. When the custodian took posses-  
sion of the building the floor in the office  
had been thoroughly scrubbed, a proceed-  
ing uncommon. In the basement, where  
the vats for cooking sausages are kept,  
were found evidences to confirm the opin-  
ion that Mrs. Luetgert was foully de-  
tained. In the bottom of the vat two rings  
were found, one of which has been iden-  
tified as that of Mrs. Luetgert, which she  
wore constantly. In the vat and the base-  
ment furnace have been found pieces of  
bone, some of which resemble the pieces  
of a human skull.

"The defendant spent several hours in  
the basement of the factory on the night  
of the supposed murder, and any one who  
has seen that gruesome place, and is fa-  
miliar with the fact that the factory was  
shut down, will wonder what legitimate  
purpose any man had there at that time."

EX-CLERK INDICTED.

Bill Found Against a Former Official of  
Jacksonville.

Jacksonville, Ill., May 21.—The grand  
jury made a final report to the court and  
was discharged yesterday. Among the  
true bills found was one against John W.  
Davis, ex-city clerk, for embezzlement.  
This grows out of the shortage in the ac-  
counts of Davis with the city and school  
funds. It has not been given out as yet  
as to just what action will be taken in  
the matter at present, as Davis is not in  
the city. He is reported to be in Pitts-  
burg, Pa., completing arrangements to  
travel for a firm.

Christian Sunday Schools.

Danville, May 21.—At the Christian  
state Sunday school convention yesterday  
afternoon the following officers were  
elected: President, J. H. McKnight of  
Peoria; vice president, W. R. Carter of  
Mt. Carmel; recording secretary, M. Stev-  
enson of Decatur; members of the board,  
B. E. Thrapp of Gibson City, and J. G.  
Waggoner of Eureka.

June 10 to be Illinois Day.

Nashville, May 21.—The Illinois build-  
ing at the Tennessee Centennial Exposi-  
tion was completed yesterday and is ready  
for occupancy. It is one of the most  
beautiful specimens of architecture on the  
grounds. June 10 has been selected as  
Illinois day.

Aeronaut Killed.

McKeesport, Pa., May 21.—Mons Lee,  
an aeronaut, was fatally injured in mak-  
ing a balloon ascension here last night.

Gold for Europe.

New York, May 21.—Million, two hun-  
dred thousand dollars has been engaged  
for shipment to Europe tomorrow.

WEYLER'S ORDER.

All the Non-Combatants in Santa  
Clara to be Herded in  
Three Cities.

THIS MEANS GREATER STARVATION.

The Ruiz Commission Organized—  
Spain Seeking a Cause to De-  
mand Calhoun's Recall—No  
War Ship at Present.

Washington, May 21.—A consular re-  
port from Cuba received yesterday tells of  
a new order of concentration. The effect  
of it will be to add greatly to the horrors  
of the situation. The suffering will be  
increased, and the deaths will be more  
numerous.

The order, so far as the consul knows,  
applies to about one-third of the Province  
of Santa Clara. This is a region of sugar  
estates. Under the original order of con-  
centration the agricultural population was  
obliged to form camps at the cen-  
trals, or grinding plants, of such estates  
as maintained a Spanish garrison. This  
permitted the farming population to gather  
in bodies of from 500 to 1000. By this  
distribution in small bodies the reconcen-  
trated were able to find some subsistence.  
The smaller concentration has been at-  
tended with less hardship than the larger.  
The new order just made by the Spanish  
authorities abolishes the concentration of  
camps on the sugar estates. It directs  
that the only points of concentration in  
the district shall be the cities having mu-  
nicipal organizations. In this district  
there are but three "municipals," as they  
are called. To these three points the en-  
tire farming population will now be  
driven. The report from the consul says:

"There are twenty-five estates on which  
the camps of reconcentrados had been es-  
tablished. The camps averaged 500 per-  
sons. Now those persons, 12,500 in all,  
must move to the three towns. In the  
camps on the estates they had built shanties,  
which must be abandoned. That,  
however, is not the worst feature. They  
had planted gardens and were about to  
realize on food crops. All must be left  
behind, and the 12,500 must be added to  
the three large camps, where the people  
are starving. The situation is becoming  
worse every day and this new order is  
going to aggravate it."

Special Commissioner Calhoun has been  
instructed to communicate with the state  
department by mail. Unless there shall  
seem to be some urgency he will not use  
the cable. It is not expected that he will  
do much more than make known prog-  
ress from time to time until his investiga-  
tion is finished. So far from urging  
haste, the president is inclined to prefer  
that the commissioner shall be deliberate  
in drawing conclusions.

What Mr. Calhoun may send by mail  
will be carefully guarded. The state de-  
partment already realizes that the com-  
missioner's movements and utterances are  
being closely watched by the Spanish.  
At least twice there have been intimations  
that Spain might call the investigation  
off. The first time was when statements  
were made in the senate about the charac-  
ter of the mission. Spain demanded and  
was shown the instructions given Mr.  
Calhoun before he started. When it was  
said that he had other instructions of a  
general nature, there was a slight mani-  
festation of Spanish sensitiveness.

But the most serious issue raised was  
when what purported to be a message  
from Mr. Calhoun was printed. Official  
inquiry was at once made by Spain to  
know if Mr. Calhoun had used such lan-  
guage. A prompt denial was made and  
it has been persisted in by the depart-  
ment. No such message, it is claimed,  
was received. Whether it was or not, the  
fact has been impressed upon the depart-  
ment that the mission of Mr. Calhoun  
will have to be executed with discretion  
and with very little publication of impres-  
sions if it is not to be interrupted. There-  
fore, the cable will not be used and Mr.  
Calhoun will wait until he returns to  
make known his findings.

Sensor Vas's inquiry in the senate  
yesterday started gossip in the navy de-  
partment yesterday about the possibility  
of a warship being sent to Cuba. The  
question which the senator put was very  
pointed. It followed the statement that  
the names of the consuls making the re-  
ports quoted in the senate must be sup-  
pressed for fear of personal danger to  
them.

ascertain whether it was General Lee or  
some other consul or diplomatic representa-  
tive who made these statements for fear  
that they will be assassinated? Has this  
government come to that low degree of  
power and protection over its own official  
representatives that we are to be content  
with the statement that they might be  
assassinated if their names are given?  
That is a most serious question."

A rumor prevailed early in the day that  
a proposition was under consideration by  
the president to order the New York to  
Havana. It such a proposition was en-  
tertained, the conclusion was adverse.  
Late yesterday afternoon it was given out  
authoritatively at the navy department  
that no warship would be sent at present.  
Secretary Long of the navy, is one of the  
members of the cabinet who is counseling  
a very conservative policy regarding Cuba.

RUIZ COMMISSION.

Organized and Departed for Guanabacoa  
—Spanish Consul.

Havana, May 21.—The Ruiz commis-  
sion was informally organized yesterday  
and went to Guanabacoa in the afternoon  
to commence the inquiry into the death  
in the jail at that place of Dr. Ricardo  
Ruiz, a naturalized American citizen  
Senator Enrique Roig, whose name was  
presented by Dr. Congosto, the Spanish  
consul at Philadelphia, who accompanies  
the United States commissioner, W. J.  
Calhoun, was finally accepted as counsel  
by Consul General Lee and Mr. Calhoun.  
Cordial relations prevail among all the  
parties concerned, Dr. Congosto and Gen-  
eral Lee breakfasting together yesterday.

ILLINOIS MILITIA.

The Adjutant General Issues a General  
Order for Encampment.

Springfield, May 21.—Adjutant Gen-  
eral Reese has assigned for special mil-  
itary duty in his office 11st Lieutenant  
Arthur J. Gallagher of Co. H, Fifth In-  
fantry, Decatur.

The adjutant has issued a general order  
for the regimental encampment which  
will commence this year on July 10 at  
Camp Lincoln. The tours of duty will  
not be completed until Sept. 4. The  
Fifth regiment will be in camp from  
Aug. 21 to Aug. 28. The entire cavalry  
squadron will do duty from Aug. 28 to  
Sept. 4.

OFFICERS ELECTED.

The Directors of the Associated Press For-  
mally that Function To-Day.

Chicago, May 21.—The directors of the  
Associated Press yesterday re-elected the  
following officers. President, Victor F.  
Lawson, Chicago. Daily News and Chicago  
Record; First Vice president, Horace  
White, New York Evening Post; Second  
Vice-president, Hoke Smith, Atlanta  
Journal, Secretary and General Manager,  
Melville E. Stone; Assistant Secretary  
and Assistant General Manager, Charles  
S. Diehl.

Considering Autonomy Propositions.  
Candia, May 21.—Cretean insurgents  
have received instructions from Athens to  
accept autonomy from the government on  
the condition that Turkish troops be pre-  
viously withdrawn from the island. The  
insurgents appear to favor this plan for  
the settlement of their grievance. Mus-  
selmans, however, have telegraphed the  
sultan protesting at being "placed in the  
power of a majority which betrayed such  
hostilities to the Musselmans by carnage  
at Sitia and in the destruction of all Mo-  
hammedan villages," adding: "Auton-  
omy under such circumstances cannot fail  
to perpetuate race wars and will briefly  
postpone the revival of annexation ques-  
tion with all its disastrous consequences."

Serious Oversight.

Washington, May 21.—Owing to some  
blotch at the capital, the Cuban relief res-  
olution was not signed yesterday by the  
speaker and the vice president, as the sig-  
natures must be attached during the ses-  
sions of the house and senate and as both  
houses adjourned until Monday nothing  
can be done until then.

Pardoned.

Springfield, Ill., May 21.—Governor  
Tanner today pardoned James Scruggs of  
Pulaski county, serving twenty years, as  
accessory to the murder of William Nap-  
ier in '95.

Religious.

Pittsburg, Pa., May 21.—The third ses-  
sion of the general synod of the Reformed  
Presbyterian church was taken up with  
the reading of reports from western Pres-  
byterians.

James Millikin, who has been ill at  
his home for some weeks, is out again  
and was at the bank to-day.

BASE BALL.

National League.

Boston 11, St. Louis 4.  
Louisville 13, Brooklyn 13.  
Washington 16, Chicago 14.  
Pittsburg 10, Philadelphia 4.  
Cincinnati 11, Baltimore 10.

Western League.

Kansas City 9, Columbus 3.  
Indianapolis 14, Minneapolis 1.  
St. Paul 5, Grand Rapids 4.

SENATE FOR CUBA.

The Belligerency of the Cubans  
is Recognized at  
Last.

COPY OF THE MORGAN RESOLUTION.

The Vote in the Senate was 41 to 14—  
Tumultuous Applause Ap-  
proves the Ac-  
tion.

Washington, May 21.—The long and  
exciting debate on the joint resolution  
recognizing the existence of a state of war  
in Cuba and declaring that strict neutral-  
ity shall be maintained by the United  
States, passed the senate by the decisive  
vote of 41 to 14, at a late hour yesterday  
afternoon. The announcement of the  
vote was received with tumultuous ap-  
plause which drew from Senator Hawley  
an emphatic protest against "mob demon-  
stration." The resolution passed is as  
follows.

Resolved, etc., That a condition of pub-  
lic war exists between the government of  
Spain and the government proclaimed  
and for some time maintained by force or  
arms by the people of Cuba, and the United  
States of America shall maintain a  
strict neutrality law between the contend-  
ing parties according to each and all right  
of belligerents in the ports and territory  
of the United States.

Prior to the final vote the motion of  
Senator Hale to refer the resolution to the  
committee on foreign relations was tabled  
—yeas, 34, nays, 19. Mr. Fairbanks of  
Indiana, proposed a substitute providing  
that the president extend the good offices  
of the United States to Spain towards se-  
curing an end to the conflict and the ulti-  
mate independence of the island. This  
too, was tabled—yeas, 36; nays, 15. Then  
followed the adoption of the original res-  
olution.

The voting occurred after an exciting  
debate participated in by Senators Thur-  
ston of Nebraska, Elkins of West Virginia,  
White of California, Fairbanks of Indi-  
ana, Hale of Maine, Spooner of Wisconsin,  
and Gorman of Maryland. Mr. Thur-  
ston, who presided over the Republican  
national convention at St. Louis, recalled  
the stirring scene when it inserted a Cu-  
ban plank in the platform, and declared  
that this resolution was in partial fulfill-  
ment of that pledge.

The Cabinet on Cuba.

Washington, May 21.—The cabinet to-  
day considered the question of our rela-  
tions to Cuba. The passage of the Mor-  
gan resolution by the senate yesterday  
was regarded as threatening to interfere  
seriously with the efforts of the executive  
to do something substantial for the Cu-  
bans. The details of McKinley's plan  
were not disclosed but it was clearly man-  
ifested at the meeting today that the pre-  
sident had determined on another forward  
step and to use his powers to stop blood-  
shed in Cuba, as far as can be done with-  
out involving the United States in war.

THE LAST SAD RITES

Are Being Held at Grace M. E. Church  
Over Remains of the Late Major Steele.

The funeral of the late Major Steele,  
very largely attended, is in progress this  
afternoon at the Grace M. E. church. The  
honorary pall bearers selected are K. H.  
Roby, Joseph Ray, M. F. Kanan, John  
Ward and James A. Wilson, all veterans  
of the 41st Illinois regiment, and F. L.  
Hays of the 115th Illinois regiment. The  
active pall bearers are H. F. May, C. M.  
Imboden, C. L. Hovey, J. M. Clockey,  
Harry Fleck and T. J. Abel.

Illinois Legislature.

Springfield, Ill., May 21.—The judi-  
ciary committee of the house this morning  
heard objections to the new Yerkes street  
railway bill, made by Corporation Coun-  
cil Thornton and Alderman Harlan of  
Chicago, but in the end reported the bill  
favorably, as they did also the bill pre-  
sented today by its chairman Allen,  
amending the present law by making the  
period for which franchisees may be grant-  
ed fifty years instead of twenty.

The house and senate after the trans-  
action of business of no special interest,  
adjourned till Monday evening.

Appointed Administratrix.

Mrs. Saloma Coble in the county court  
today filed an application for letters of ad-  
ministration for the estate of her husband,  
the late Herman Coble. Mrs. Coble was  
appointed administratrix and was re-  
quired to give a bond of \$2000.

A marble column surmounted by a  
statue of Lincoln stands in front of the  
district court house.

The columns of the eastern portico of  
the capital are each solid blocks of sand-  
stone thirty feet high.

MARKET REPORT.

By H. Z. TAYLOR.

Wheat opened 1/2 and 3/4 cent lower this  
morning and the top of the opening was  
about the top for the day, the sentiment  
again being bearish, and the market lost  
a little. Trade was light and the market  
was not active. Consols were at 113 1/2  
for money and 118 1/2 for account. Lon-  
don reported wheat cargoes steady, and  
Liverpool steady and 1/4 lower. Berlin,  
of course, had to be the opposite of Liver-  
pool, so the reports from there was to the  
effect that wheat was 1/4 mark higher.  
The closing cable from Liverpool was 1/2  
and 1/4 lower on spot wheat, and 1/2 and  
1/4 lower on futures. There was a report  
from India, saying the wheat in that  
state had been attacked by a small worm,  
which was doing much damage and was  
more destructive than the chinch bug,  
but the pit seemed to think an early bird  
would get around soon and catch the In-  
dian worm, for it paid little attention to  
the wall. Captain Phillips has just re-  
turned from Kansas with a new set. He  
says he believes the state of Kansas will  
raise 60,000,000 bushels of wheat. The  
idea of most of the traders on this subject  
seemed to be, however, that Kansas  
would raise 60,000,000 bushels of wheat  
about the time it raises its last mortgage.  
They paid little attention to this state-  
ment of the captain's. The total clear-  
ances were bullish again today, being  
larger even than those of yesterday. The  
wheat cleared today amounted to 325,476  
bushels and the flour counted up to 30-  
715 barrels, the aggregate being equal to  
315,000 bushels of wheat. Of the 11 cars  
of wheat received in Chicago today, 5  
graded contract. Minneapolis got 241  
cars of wheat today, and Duluth got 237,  
a total of 478, against 546 (Minneapolis  
223, Duluth 129) a week ago, and 295  
(Minneapolis 170, Duluth 125) a year ago.

Corn opened about where it left off last  
night, and with small trade and almost  
inactive market, was narrow but steady  
to strong, with no features. Total clear-  
ances of corn today amounted to 213,990  
bushels. Of the 203 cars of corn received  
in Chicago 203 were graded.

Oats opened a little lower, and were  
dull and narrow, with a range which kept  
them right at the opening all day. No  
features, and very little doing. Thirty-  
five cars graded, of 318 received.

Provisions opened higher, generally,  
and sold up a little on the strength of  
hogs and small estimates for tomorrow.

St. Louis.

St. Louis May 21.—Wheat, cash, 92;  
July 96.

Corn, cash, 22 1/2; July 22 1/2.

Oats, cash, 20; July, 18 1/2.

New York, July wheat, 78 1/2. Corn,  
30. Oats, 23 1/2.

Peoria Grain.

Peoria, May 21.—Corn, active, easy;  
new No. 2, 23 1/2.

Oats, irregular, No. 2 white, 20 1/2 and  
21 1/2.

Chicago.

Chicago, May 21.—Live poultry, steady;  
turkeys, 8; chickens, 7 and 7 1/2; ducks, 8.

Butter, steady; creameries, 10 and 13 1/2;  
dairies, 7 and 12.

Eggs, firm, 2 1/2.

CHICAGO, ILL., MAY 21.

Wheat—	Open- ing.	High- est.	Low- est.	Clos- ing.
May	71 1/2	71 3/4	70 3/4	71 1/2
July	95 1/2			
Sept.	95 1/2			
Nov.	95 1/2			
Jan.	95 1/2			
Mar.	95 1/2			
May	95 1/2			
July	95 1/2			
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Remnants of Wash Silks and Printed Jap-  
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Fancy Plaid and Striped Silks at 39c yd.  
Choice White Brocade Silks, original value  
65 and 75c, at 49c.  
50 pieces short length Black Silks including  
Satin Duchess, Pea de Sois and Moires, at  
58c yd.  
100 pieces of choice Fancy Silks suitable for  
waist or trimming, 75c, regular value \$1  
and \$1.25.  
Fancy Taffeta Silks, extra heavy, in dark  
colors, all extra fine quality for dresses, at  
88c yd.  
Plaid and Shaded Taffeta Silks at 65 and  
75c yd.  
All Silk Black Grenadines at 88c yd.

### Black Dress Goods.

50 pieces Black Dress Goods, 38 and 40 inch  
wide, in choice Brocades and Brillantines,  
at 25c yd, regular value 40c yd.  
25 pieces 42-inch Black Brocades, all wool,  
at 38c yd, regular value 50c yd.  
1 lot of 44-inch All Wool Brocades, extra  
choice patterns, at 43c yd. This quality  
sold early at 60c yd.  
50 pieces of Finest Black Dress Goods in 48  
and 50 inch widths, at 75c, regular price  
\$1 and \$1.25.

### Colored Dress Goods.

Fancy Wool Mixed and All Wool Challies  
in short lengths at 10c yd.  
Best quality All Wool Challies at 19c yd.  
This quality sold early at 35c yd.  
Fancy Plaid Dress Goods in checks and  
stripes, 27 inches wide, at 9c yd.  
40-inch Dress Goods in light summer colors,  
at 11c yd.  
42-inch All Wool Checks for skirts and  
suits at 29c yd, regular value 50c yd.  
50 pieces of finest All Wool Fancy Dress  
Goods, 44 to 48 inches wide, at 50c yd,  
early price on this lot 75c, 90c and \$1 yd.  
1 lot of choice Dress Patterns, new designs,  
original price \$3, \$10 and \$12 each, marked  
at \$5 each, including silk and wool mix-  
tures.  
\$14 and \$15 Dress Patterns, this season's  
latest purchases, marked down to \$8 each.

### Domestics.

Bales of Unbleached Muslins at 3c yd.  
Boxes of 36-inch Bleached Muslin at 4c yd.  
Finest Bleached Muslins, soft finish, at  
6c yard.  
Cases of Unbleached Sheetings 2½ yards  
wide, at 10c yd.  
Remnants of Sheetting 2½ yards wide, in the  
best grades made, at 15c yd.  
42-inch Pillow Tubing 12½c.  
45-inch Pillow Tubing 13½c.  
42-inch Pillow Cases made up at 8c each.  
Made up Sheets 2½ yards wide at 35c each.  
Hemstitched Pillow Cases, extra good qual-  
ity, 45-inch, at 15c.

### Towelings.

Bales of Bleached Twill Crash at 3c yd.  
1,000 yards of fine Linen Bleached Crash  
Towelings at 8c yd.  
1,000 yards of Bleached All Linen Crash  
22 inches wide, at 10c yd.  
65 dozen All Linen Hemstitched Towels  
at 8c each.  
50 dozen All Linen Huck Towels, fringed,  
size 22x44, at 12½c each.  
50 dozen All Linen Huck Hemmed Towels,  
size 36x18 inches, at 12½c each.  
50 dozen Hemstitched Towels, extra heavy,  
size 40x22 inches, at 19c each.

### Table Linens and Napkins

Extra value in All Linen Table Damask, 54  
to 66 inches wide, at 33c yd.  
72-inch All Linen Heavy Damask, the great-  
est value shown, at 44c yd.  
72-inch Bleached All Linen Satin Damask  
worth \$1, at 75c yd. Napkins to match  
this line in 22 inch size at \$2 dozen.  
1 lot of White Bed Spreads, full size, at  
35c each.  
100 dozen All Linen fine Napkins, a \$1.50  
quality, at 88c doz.  
50 dozen All Linen Napkins at 68c dozen.  
Red Table Damask at 10c yard, 54 in. wide.  
1 case of linen colored Printed Dimities at  
4c yard.

### Wash Goods.

2,000 yards of Organdies, choice new pat-  
terns, early price 20c, now marked 10c yd.  
2,500 yards Printed Mulls on black ground,  
regular 20c grade, at 9c yd.  
1 case of Printed Linen Swisses in very  
pretty colors, worth 20c yard, at 7c yd.  
36-inch finest and best Percales for Shirt  
Waists, the regular 12½c quality, at 9c yd.  
Cheaper grades at 7 and 8c yd.

### Millinery.

Ladies' and Misses' White Milan Sailor  
Hats at 25c each.  
50 White Leghorn Hats, trimmed, at \$1.98  
each.

### Ladies' Suits.

\$6.50 ladies' suits, all wool cloth Eton Jacket, lined  
skirt for \$3.95.  
One lot fine Tailor Made suits in Broadcloth  
Serge, Brillantine Covert Cloth and Fancy  
Scotch Mixtures, were \$10, \$12.50 and \$13.50  
for \$7.75. We make the necessary alterations  
without charge.  
Separate Skirts at \$1.50, \$2 and \$3.  
One lot fine Separate Skirts, were \$10 and \$12,  
for \$6.50 each.  
Separate Linen Skirts for \$1 each.

### Waists.

One lot of fine quality Percale Shirt Waists made  
up last season to sell at 75c, for 25c.  
One lot of fine Percale and Madras waists made  
up last season to sell at \$1 and \$1.50, in this  
sale for 50c each. Fine Lawn and Madras  
waists very latest and best styles, collars and  
cuffs separate at 50c, 75c and \$1.  
The celebrated Marquise waist in Lawn, Madras  
and Silk \$1 up to \$6.50 each.  
Choice Wash Silk Shirt Waists at \$2.75 each.  
Printed Foulard Silk Shirt Waist at \$3 each.  
Changeable Taffeta Silk Waists in all colors \$4.50  
and \$5.  
Wash Wrappers, a large line to offer. We have  
a special Bargain at 98c, 4 yards wide Calico  
and Lawn.  
A choice line of girls' Serge Dresses, 4, 6, 8, 10,  
12 years at \$3.50, \$5 and \$7.50 each, made as  
well as our ladies' suits.

### Ribbed Vests.

1 box ladies' fine Swiss Ribbed Vests, great value  
4c pair.  
1 box ladies' fine Egyptian Cotton Vests, with  
full taped neck and shoulders, 8c.  
One lot ladies' Union Suits 38c each.

### Gents' Furnishings.

During this sale we want to close out a lot of  
Gents' furnishing goods, as we have no space  
to show the line.  
One lot men's Linen Collars, heavy three-ply  
linen for 5c each.  
One lot men's Striped British half hose, worth 25c  
for 15c pair.  
One lot of Men's Half-hose, fine gauge cotton,  
worth 20c for 12½c.  
One lot of Men's 25c Suspenders for 15c.  
One lot of Guiois Suspenders for 38c a pair.  
Men's Wool Sweaters, worth \$1.50, for 75c.  
Men's fine Worsted Sweaters, worth \$2 for \$1.  
Men's Worsted Golf Hose and Bicycle Leggings,  
worth \$1, for 50c.  
1 case men's Egyptian Cotton Undershirts and  
Drawers, finished seams, knitted cuffs, regular  
price 40c, for 25c each.  
1 case men's Balbriggan Shirts and Drawers,  
French taped, pearl buttons, very fine gauge at  
45c each.  
25 dozen men's Unlaundered White Shirts, linen  
front and cuffs, body of fine, heavy, soft muslin  
at 25c each.  
Men's Negligee Shirts, silk striped Madras, worth  
\$1.50 for \$1.

### Curtains.

One lot 3 yd. Nottingham Curtains for 75c pair.  
One lot 3½ yd. \$2 Lace Curtains for \$1.48 pair.  
One lot 3½ yd. \$3.50 Lisle Net Curtains for \$2.48  
pair.  
One lot Irish Point and Brussels Net Curtains, 3½  
yds. long, worth \$5 for \$3.45 pair.  
One lot, 12 styles of \$10 and \$12 fine Irish Point,  
Point De Sprit, Brussels Net and Swiss Tam-  
bour Curtains, about 100 pairs to close at \$6.95  
a pair.  
One lot of 44-inch Serim Net, 5c yard.  
One lot 44-inch Dotted Swiss Drapery for 5c yd.  
One lot 36-inch Printed Silkoline, 5c.  
One lot 50-inch Derby Damask for heavy drapery  
38c yd, all colors.  
One Hundred Ladies' and Gentlemen's 26-inch  
Otto Miller Silk Gloria Umbrellas, Acacia wood  
and Dresden Handles, worth \$1.50 each for \$1.  
We are closing out our Foster Lacing Kid Gloves  
and offer the 5-hook "William" or \$1 quality for  
75c, 5-hook "Fowler" or \$1.50 for 98c, all colors  
and sizes.

### Notions.

Fancy Silk Garter Elastic, worth 25c, now 10c.  
We will close out a lot of Sterling Silver Belt  
Pins worth 25 and 35c, now 10c.  
Barbour's Black Linen Thread, worth 5c, now 2c.  
Stockinet Dress Shields (the best in the world),  
No. 2 worth 25c, now 12½c.  
Stockinet Dress Shields (the best in the world),  
No. 3 worth 30c, now 15c.  
Kid Curlers worth 5c, now 3c.  
Kid Curlers worth 10c, now 5c.  
Kid Curlers (extra large) worth 25c, now 10c.  
Black Silk Belts worth from 50c to 75c, now 25c.  
Metal Belts, oxidized, silver and gilt, worth 50c,  
now 25c.  
Metal Belts, gilt or silver, worth \$1.00, now 39c.  
Leather Belts worth 25c, now 10c.  
Hand Mirrors worth 25c, now 10c.  
Shopping Bags, leather covered, worth 50c, now 25c.  
Cupid Hair Pins worth 5c, now 1c a dozen.  
5 Hook Corset Clasp, white or drab, worth 10c,  
now 5c.

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English Long Cloth (12 yds in a piece), now  
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French Nainsook worth 18c, now 10c.  
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All-over Embroideries for Yokes, worth 50c,  
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All-over Embroideries for Yokes, worth 65c,  
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One lot of 90 dozen Embroidered and Scalloped,  
worth from 15 to 25c, your choice now at 10c.  
Gingham Aprons now 5c.

### Black Sateen Skirts.

Fine Black Sateen Skirt, trimmed in braid, worth  
75c, now 39c.  
Fine Black Sateen Skirt, trimmed in braid, worth  
\$1.00, now 69c.

### Ladies' Stock Collars.

With Satin Bow, worth 50c, now 10c.  
One lot of Silk Club House Ties worth 25c, now 5c.

### Veilings.

Bordered Veils worth \$1.25 and \$1.50, now 75c.

### Children's Colored Lawn Dresses.

Sizes from 4 to 14 years, former prices 75c, 50c  
and \$1.00, all reduced to one price, 25c.  
Misses' White Dresses, sizes 12 and 14 years,  
worth \$2.25, now 98c.

### Hosiery.

One box Ladies' Imported Black Hose, 5 to 10,  
at 12½c a pair, never retailed for less than 20c.  
Ladies' very fine Gauge Cotton Hose, Tan and  
Black, regular price 25c, now 3 pairs for 50c.  
Ladies' fine Hose with white feet, 3 pairs for 50c.  
One lot fine tan Cotton Hose, were 50c, now 35c.  
One box Misses' fine ribbed Cotton Hose, double  
knee, spliced heel and sole, at 35, 40 and 45c,  
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1 box Children's heavy Cotton Hose, black 2-  
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Fine Black Sateen Skirt, trimmed in braid, worth 75c, now 39c.

Fine Black Sateen Skirt, trimmed in braid, worth \$1.00, now 69c.

## Ladies' Stock Collars,

With Satin Bow, worth 50c, now 10c.

One lot of Silk Club House Ties worth 25c, now 5c.

## Veilings.

Bordered Veils worth \$1.25 and \$1.50, now 75c.

## Children's Colored Lawn Dresses,

Sizes from 4 to 14 years, former prices 75c, 85c and \$1.00, all reduced to one price, 25c.

Misses' White Dresses, sizes 12 and 14 years, worth \$2.25, now 98c.

## Hosiery.

One box Ladies' Imported Black Hose, 8 to 10, at 12½c a pair, never retailed for less than 20c.

Ladies' very fine Gauge Cotton Hose, Tan and Black, regular price 25c, now 3 pairs for 50c.

Ladies' fine Hose with white feet, 3 pairs for 50c.

One lot fine tan Cotton Hose, were 50c, now 35c.

One box Misses' fine ribbed Cotton Hose, double knee, spliced heel and sole, at 35, 40 and 45c, now all sizes at one price, 25c.

1 box Children's heavy Cotton Hose, black 2-2 ribbed, 5c pair.



## A WELL DRESSED MAN

gets more consideration than a shabby individual. The shabby man may really have more ability than the other, but the casual observer won't believe it.

It's a matter of business to be well dressed. It may be wrong, but people often judge a man by his clothes. They are sure to have a good opinion of him if he buys his clothes here.

See our New and Handsome Line of Suits,

In all the new shades of Brown, cut and make First-class—equal to made-to-measure kind—

...At One-Half the Price....

SUITS FROM \$5 TO \$15

That are right in every way....

## BOYS' DEPARTMENT.

Complete assortment of Suits for Boys 2½ years and up, from \$1 to \$8.

Anything you may want can be found in the Department for Boys.

Try a Pair of Our

Bicycle Hose at 18c.

## Ottenheimer &amp; Co.

The Progressive Clothiers, Hatters and Furnishers.  
Telephone 182. MASONIC TEMPLE

## Bohon-McReynolds Co.

Will have a Special Sale  
All This Week for the Ladies.

Ladies' All Wool Suits, latest style, worth \$5.00, for \$3.98.

Ladies' All Wool Suits, latest style, worth \$8.00, for \$6.49.

Ladies' All Wool Suits, latest style, worth \$12, for \$9.75.

Ladies' All Wool Suits, latest style, worth \$15, for \$11.89.

Ladies' Black and Colored Dress Skirts from \$1.49 up.

Ladies' Waists from 49c up, and Ladies' Wrappers from 39c up.

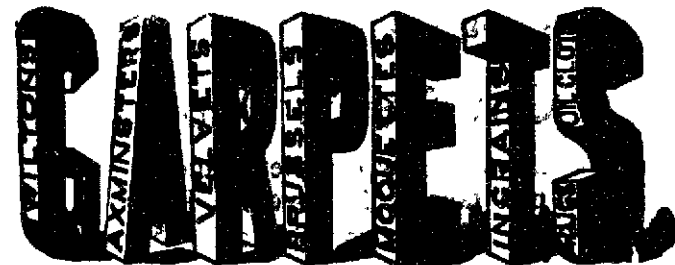
Also a beautiful line of Wash Goods, Dimities, Lawns, Organdies, etc., for 5c, 6c, 7c and 8c per yard.

Our goods are all New and Clean.

Come and see us and we will save you money.

## Bohon-McReynolds Co.,

CORNER BROADWAY AND ELDORADO.



33 Cents on the Dollar!

Thirty-one years ago we opened an Exclusive Carpet and Wall Paper Store in Decatur. Goods that we are now selling at 65c were then sold at \$1.75. Wall Paper sold at that time for 25c, we now sell you at 8c.

Spring time brings demands for these articles, and you find us with a large stock of all grades, from Cotton Ingrains at 16c to the best Tapestry Body and Armistars. Our WALL PAPER from a common brown at 4c up through all the grades to the charming Brillantines.

No one trying to monopolize all branches can or will do as well by you as we—dealing exclusively in these goods, giving our entire attention to style, coloring and quality, all things being equal.

Call and trade with us.

Abel Carpet Wall Paper Co.

## HAVE YOU TRIED—

## CHASE &amp; SANBORN'S COFFEES?

Sold Only at—

"The Economy,"

221 North Water Street.

## LOCAL NEWS.

\* Fresh Cape Jessamines at Saxton's Book Store.—21-6t

The Grand Opera House cigars made by Johnny Weigand are the best in town. Each 25-dft

\* Sweet Jessamines at Saxton's Book Store.—21-6t

Smoke the Little J 5 cent cigar, guaranteed to contain no artificial flavor.

Fresh Jessamines every day during the season at Saxton's Book Store.—21-6t

Officer Donahue last night on Franklin street arrested May Clark as a disorderly character.

The pavilion theatre at Riverside park will open on May 31, with a farce comedy company on the stage.

For first-class dyeing and cleaning and pressing take your clothing to Miller's. They are first-class practical dyers and dry cleaners, 145 North Main street.

If you are troubled with catarrh, asthma or headache, use the German medicator, a perfect cure. Mar 16dft

Fair and festival to be given by the Decatur Turnverein at their hall and park on May 25, 26 and 27. Admission 10 cents.—20-d6

The police are notifying property owners to clean up around their premises, especially in the back yards and in the alleys.

The order of Mayor Taylor that loafers vacate their favorite lounging places in front of saloons and on prominent street corners is being rigidly enforced by the police.

Jessamines from the sunny south for sale at Saxton's Book Store.—21-6t

Take the Wabash special to Champaign next Saturday May 22, accounts Field Day exercises. The special leaves Decatur at 7 a. m. \$1.00 round trip.

Mrs. Leona Cain was intoxicated and contrary last night on Lincoln Square on North Main street and by order of Captain Mathersbaugh was picked up and hauled off to the city prison.

John Phalen, late candidate for appointment as city engineer, will soon leave for the west to join the U. S. coast engineers. He will receive \$100 a month, all expenses paid.

Gents, now is the time to look up your spring suit of clothes or overcoat and have them re-dyed, cleaned or pressed in first-class style by people who are experts and practical dyers and cleaners at Miller's Steam Dyeing and Dry Cleaning establishment, 145 North Main street.

The Junior Warrens yesterday met the Junior Duffees on Turke's diamond. The score was 16 to 15 in favor of the Warrens. The batteries for the Warrens were George Cranshaw and Ernest Boes; for the Duffees, Moses Curtis and Frank Smith the notorious pitcher who could not throw a ball straight.

Dr. Drew was called last evening to attend James Doty of 717 Condit street who was injured yesterday by the wheels of a wagon passing over part of his body. The team had taken fright and Doty was trying to stop it. Doty's left ankle was partly crushed and a rib was fractured.

No better soft coal in this market than Lincoln or Riverton. Lincoln is the hardest of any coal within 100 miles of Decatur and the harder the coal the longer it will burn. Hard coal all sizes, always in stock at market price. Up town office, Irwin's drug store, office and yard 800 North Broadway, old phone 483, new phone 435. M. F. Metz.—21-dft

The members of Decatur Center University association held an interesting and profitable meeting last night, led by David Hutchison. Miss May Keehee read a carefully prepared paper on "Medes and Persians." Babylon was discussed. Harry Shlandeman read a report on the condition of Japan in 1896, and then J. J. Sheppard, R. I. Hunt, Dr. H. C. Jones and C. A. Wait spoke of the present condition of Japan. At the next meeting discussion of Japan and China will be concluded and then Greece will be considered.

## Hinkle's Best FLOUR.

Is the finest flour sold in the City of Decatur. It has no equal for making good bread. If you want the Best Flour made use HINKLE'S BEST. If you can't get it call up

—PHONE 550.—

The following merchants sell it:

Hellman & Son.  
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Kays Bros.  
Henry Lutz  
J. E. Beatty.  
C. G. Radcliff.  
Shaffer Bros.  
J. E. Wheeler.  
W. H. Howard.  
Chas. Mathewson.  
S. P. McAllister.  
J. B. Robinson.

May Bros.  
Robt. McCana.  
William Niedermeyer  
H. Meyer.  
McClahan & Fulton.  
Schlie & Oehler.  
J. N. Cool.  
Weckerman & Knapp.  
D. Armbruster.  
R. W. Davis.  
Bee Hive.  
T. T. Springer.

## SPEAKERS AT THE SCHOOLS.

Supt. Gastman to the Principals—Flowers to be Brought by Children.

The following is a copy of a circular letter to those in charge of the Decatur schools, which is self-explanatory:

To the Principals: It is agreed with the officers of the Grand Army of the Republic that the general exercises of Memorial Day will be held in this city on Sunday afternoon, May 30, 1897, and the schools will hold their special exercises on Friday afternoon, May 28, at 1:30. It seems to me that everything may be finished and the children dismissed for the day at recess.

The commandant has assigned the following persons to address your pupils:

High School—Rev. D. F. Howe, Robert I. Hunt, Mrs. K. Harwood.

Sangamon Street School—J. F. Whiteley, Captain R. P. Lytle, Mrs. E. Adams.

Warren Street School—Rev. A. M. Danely, D. M. Landis, Mrs. Ella R. Kennedy.

Marietta Street School—Rev. N. B. Spayd, Dr. T. B. Spaulding, Mrs. S. H. Abel.

Pugh Street School—A. H. Miller, Captain I. N. Martin, Mrs. Jeanette Martin.

Church Street School—Rev. W. F. Gilmore, C. M. Imboden, Mrs. Nora Badenhausen.

Wood Street School—Colonel J. M. Clokey, Captain T. J. Abel, Miss Chloe Murphy.

Oakland Street School—Rev. W. C. Miller, T. Fenwick, Mrs. Emma Metz.

Jackson Street School—Dr. S. J. Bumstead, Major F. L. Hays, Mrs. Sarah Fringle.

Jasper Street School—Rev. L. C. Hayes, Dr. J. M. Blythe, Mrs. Julia Hill.

H. B. Darfee School—James O'Mara, Hon. W. C. Johns, Mrs. E. L. Brown.

I respectfully suggest that you caution your speakers not to talk more than ten minutes each and that you send a committee of pupils to escort them to the building. The committee on flowers request that you urge the children to bring as many flowers as possible and that you care for them as carefully as you can, and they will call for them on Friday afternoon or Saturday morning. Ask the fathers to keep the building open so that the committee can get the flowers.

I enclose a program sent out from the office of the state superintendent which please use as you think best.

I trust that you will spare no pains to make the exercises appropriate, effective and entirely befitting the solemn occasion.

Yours very truly,

E. A. Gastman, Superintendent.

May 20, 1897.

There will be a slight change in the above assignment. R. P. Lytle will speak at the Pugh school, and I. N. Martin will speak at the Sangamon street school. W. F. Calhoun will fill Rev. D. F. Howe's place at the high school, as the latter gentleman is to address the students at some length before the close of the school year.

It is the purpose of the Grand Army committee to look after the flowers the children will bring to the schools. They will be preserved carefully and kept fresh for use on Sunday.

## Sugar Beet Culture.

The experiment station connected with the University of Illinois has furnished sugar beet seed to something over 400 farmers in the state to carry on experiments in growing the sugar beet this year. Director Davenport of the experiment station, says the seed has been distributed in nearly every county in the state, but more thickly in the counties bordering on the Illinois and Kankakee rivers, and he has no doubt that a wide area of soil will be found on which the sugar beet can be profitably grown. The purpose is to gather in the product at the university and subject the beets to analysis, in order to determine their saccharine value and thus to determine where the soils are that will produce beet with success.

Prof. Davenport says: "In the present state of agriculture I expect to see sugar making from beets make rapid strides. It is nonsense to think of importing sugar annually to the value of all our grain exports, when we could produce the sugar ourselves and reduce our cereal surplus."

**Birthday Party.**  
The members of the Buay Girl Mission band of the First Methodist church will give a birthday party this evening at the home of Mrs. Shaffer, 614 West North street. A program of musical numbers will be rendered. Recitations will be given by Miss Letitia Patterson, and Miss Lalla Randall; vocal solos will be presented by Miss Nellie Gher, Wilbur Johnson, Jr., Miss Carolyn Lutz and Miss Irene Sikes; Miss Lillian Stout will render a piano solo. Roy Sanner a violin solo and B. C. C. Augustine will sing with banjo accompaniment.

**Sales of Real Estate.**  
B. V. Hilt to Joe Hilt, tract in 2, 18, 2 east, \$360.  
Mary A. Jamison to Joe Hilt, tract in 3, 18, 2 east, \$1.  
John E. Rucker to Elizabeth Keller, two-thirds part of 15 acres in 9, 16, 3 east, \$1.  
Elizabeth Keller to Sarah Robinson, undivided one-third of 15 acres in 9, 16, 3 east, \$260.

**So Peoria.**  
The Peoria, Decatur and Evansville railway will inaugurate their excursion season Sunday, May 28, by making a rate of 75 cents to Peoria and return. There will be a game of ball in the afternoon between the association clubs of Peoria and Des Moines. The parks are now at their best. Train leaves Union station at 7:30 a. m.

**A Freak.**  
John H. McKinley has a natural freak at his farm in Hickory township. It is a kid duck hatched out with three legs and feet. That duck ought to be a prize swimmer.

**Seed Distribution.**  
New seed store, complete stock, fresh garden, field and flower seeds. Leon & Morris, 183 East Wood street.—9-dw&t

## PERSONAL MENTION.

Charles A. Miller from Rose M. Miller on the ground of desertion, and Ella M. Baker from Charles H. Baker because of infidelity.

—Helm Whitehurst returned from St. Louis yesterday.

—Mrs. J. M. Lee is visiting friends at Argenta.

—Mrs. Daisy Dodson is visiting friends at Springfield.

—Miss Fairy Owen has taken a position in the office of Attorney D. D. Hill.

—Mrs. George Miller is home from Blue Mound where she has been visiting relatives.

—Mrs. L. L. Boblett has gone to Cincinnati to visit her daughter, Mrs. A. C. Stifel.

—A. F. Wilson and daughter, Mrs. James Freeman, have gone to Corbinville to visit friends.

—Mrs. Joseph Grass returned home from St. Joseph, Mo., where she has been visiting friends.

—Captain John A. Barnes of Chicago, is in the city to attend the funeral of the late George R. Steele.

—Senator Kanan came home from Springfield last night to attend the funeral of the late Major Steele this afternoon.

—Lon Tupper, who has been in Chicago all winter engaged in newspaper work, arrived in the city this morning. He will remain at home for several months.

—Mrs. Ben Tyler, sister of Mrs. Sue Odor, was run down by a scorching bicycle rider on Euclid avenue at Cleveland, Ohio, Sunday evening, and was seriously injured. Mrs. Odor is at Cleveland to visit her sister.

**Park Theatre to Open.**  
Manager Ferguson of the street car line, announces that the date of the opening of the Riverside park theatre will be on Monday, May 31, and that a company of especially well talented artists have been secured for the opening week at the theatre. The first play will be the funny three-act comedy entitled "Struck Gas."

C. L. Luce, who has been traveling with the John Spruceby company during the past season, is the agent for the company that has secured the contract for the opening week. The company has a repertoire of twenty-one plays and it is possible that they may be retained to give the whole list of their repertoire.

These farmers are making a bee line for the May festival at the tavernade, Thursday and Friday evenings, May 27 and 28. The whole family is going, as the price of tickets is only 25 cents—a hard time price for a good-times entertainment.

## Change of Program.

The field day exercises at Champaign tomorrow will be held at the fair grounds instead of on the college campus as has been announced. The Wabash has advertised that they would unload Decatur visitors at the campus where it was thought the exercises would be held. Agent Pollock wishes all to understand that this change of program was made in order that no one may be misled. He announces that he has arranged for street cars to meet the special train on its arrival at Champaign and they can go immediately to the fair grounds.

**Committee to Meet.**  
Chairman Young and other members of the finance committee of the city council will meet at the clerk's office this evening at 7:30 o'clock.

Chairman Koefe has issued a call for the members of the public improvement committee to meet at the city council rooms at 9 o'clock Saturday forenoon. The committee will inspect parts of the city and look over the papers in the P. I. box.

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## CHURCH WEDDING.

Happy Marriage at St. Johannes—A Brilliant event.

The audience room of St. Johannes church was crowded last evening on the occasion of the happy marriage of Mr. Fred Releh and Miss Johanna Wessolok. The pastor, Rev. Mr. Helm, officiated, and the attendants were Miss Johanna Releh and Miss Freida Hiesman, and Messrs. Godfried Blankenburg and Herman Kersch. The flower girl was Bertha Kersch. The church decorations were beautiful. The bride wore a dress of cream silk mull with tulle veil, caught up by lilies and a laurel wreath, gloves, white slippers. She carried a bouquet of white roses. The flower girl and bridesmaids wore white gowns. The reception was held at the home of the bride's father, Fred Wessolok, and was largely attended. Refreshments were served. The couple will reside at 1119 East Herkimer street. Mr. Releh is in charge of the watch department at the Curtis Bros' jewelry store and is an excellent workman.

## EATS NICKLE PLATING.

The Facts Slowly Come Out.  
"I notice that all around the faucet and the faucet handles of our coffee urns the nickel plating is eaten off," said the coffee maker in one of the large city restaurants lately, and the inside of this big dipper that we stand by in drawing off coffee, gets to be a sight. I believe it hurts people's stomachs more than they think. I know I had to quit it, and when I quit, my dyspepsia left me in less than a week."

Pos un Cereal is made of pure grains and looks like coffee. It fills the want for coffee for those who cannot drink the berry liquid. Postum makes good healthy red blood, and can be used by children and invalids as well as the healthy ones. Found at grocers or a 25c postpaid package sent by the Postum Cereal Co., Lim., of Battle Creek, Mich.

There is but one genuine original Postum Cereal coffee, with a multitude of imitations offered as "just as good."

**Getting in Shape.**  
Arrangements are being made for the base ball games between the Dummies and the Champaign nine next Saturday and Sunday afternoons. Barnes, the pitcher for the Dummies, has broken his wrist, and Flinn will pitch the game. The grounds are being put in shape. The diamond has been rolled and the grand stand repaired. The managers have already sold about 350 tickets and the probability is that there will be a good attendance as Saturday, the opening game of the season, will be played.

**Entertainment This Evening.**  
An interesting entertainment will be given this evening at the Methodist church at Elwin. The members of the choir of the church will render musical numbers and Miss Adelaide Danley, the daughter of the pastor, Rev. A. M. Danely, will give elocutionary selections. The choir has been practicing for some time and expect to give an excellent entertainment. There will probably be a number of persons who will attend from Decatur.

**Next Year in Decatur.**  
The state convention of the Illinois Sunday School association of the Christian church will be held in Decatur in May, 1898. Rev. Marion Stevenson and Mrs. R. H. Ploher attended the convention this week at Danville, and the association was invited to come to Decatur. There were about 400 delegates present.

In the county court last evening K. Cooper pleaded guilty to charges made against him. Judge Hammer fined him \$3 and costs for assault and \$10 and costs for carrying brass knuckles. In default of payment the order of commitment to the county jail was suspended for sixty days to give the defendant an opportunity to earn money to settle.

The case of James L. Drake vs George F. Hall was to have been tried in Justice Hardy's court yesterday. The parties were not ready and the hearing was continued until next Tuesday.

Gentlemen's patent leather and Oxfords Goodyear welt soles \$4.50; Goodyear's bulldog toes if you can get a fit in the lot, \$1.50 at Powers' Shoe Store.—31-1w

**Special Prices on Quinine.**  
2 Grain Quinine Pills, 25c per 100. Powers & Weightman's Quinine, 50c per ounce. Empty Capsules, best, 15c per 100.

**WEEK'S DRUG STORE.**

**Memorial Services.**  
Next Sunday Rev. A. M. Danely will preach a special memorial sermon at the Elwin Methodist church. The old soldiers are especially invited to attend.

Boys' and youths' patent leather low cut shoes 49c; reduced from \$2, at Powers' Shoe Store.—21-1w

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## REPUBLICAN JUDICIAL TICKET.

For Judge of the 3d Supreme District,  
 JACOB W. WILKIN, of Vermilion.  
 [Election June 7.]

For Judges of the Sixth Circuit.  
 (Three to elect—Election June 7.)  
 W. G. COCHRAN, of Monticello.  
 F. M. WRIGHT, of Champaign.  
 E. P. VAIL, of Macon.

## WEATHER PROBABILITIES.

Chicago, May 21.—Warmer generally  
 fair tonight; variable winds; shifting to  
 southeast.

## Altgeld's Malign Influence.

Some of the Democratic papers of Illi-  
 nois seem determined to rid their party of  
 the malign influence of Altgeld if possi-  
 ble. The Chicago Chronicle for instance,  
 is losing no opportunity to show up the cor-  
 ruption and mismanagement for which  
 the late Democratic leader was responsi-  
 ble, and it certainly has found plenty of  
 opportunities during the disgraceful revela-  
 tions of the past few months. Here is  
 the caustic way in which it sums up the  
 Altgeld mismanagement in connection  
 with state affairs:

In summing up their work, to grand  
 jurors say, among other things: "In con-  
 nection with the several investigations it  
 has appeared in every instance that the  
 beligning of all the several crimes for  
 which indictments have been returned  
 was in the abuse of our political system,  
 where men in the superior positions ap-  
 pointed men in the inferior positions un-  
 der them who could be used, and in this  
 connection have used and did use the pub-  
 lic moneys for private and political pur-  
 poses. All this happens in such an indi-  
 rect way that the real parties, morally re-  
 sponsible, cannot be reached by indict-  
 ment and prosecution."

This points directly at John P. Altgeld.  
 Who made Edward S. Dreyer treasurer  
 of the west parks and borrowed money of  
 him?

Governor Altgeld.  
 Who made the desperate schemer, Spald-  
 ing, treasurer of the Illinois State Univer-  
 sity and borrowed money of him.

Governor Altgeld.  
 Who appointed Andrews, the defaulter,  
 chief grein inspector, compelled his selec-  
 tion as chairman of the state Democratic  
 committee and used his office as a lying  
 hospital for his political prostitutes?

Governor Altgeld.  
 Who made Carl Moll, Dreyer's pal in  
 the National Bank of Illinois, a west park  
 commissioner?

Governor Altgeld.  
 Who named Berger's father-in-law,  
 George Schneider, president of the Atlan-  
 ta commission?

Governor Altgeld.  
 And if this grand jury had investigated,  
 as no grand jury has, the defalcation  
 of the dead Ramsey, state treasurer of  
 Illinois, it would have found the same  
 governor a debtor to the bankrupt estate,  
 and Carl Moll declaring his check found  
 in the papers of the estate good.

If the history of Governor Altgeld's  
 abuse of the appointing power in Illinois  
 is ever written in full citizens of this  
 state will marvel that they once stood as-  
 tounded as the recklessness of Dreyer's  
 banking methods.

## Vote Monday, June 7.

There is only one element which is  
 more dangerous to Republican success  
 than the Democrats, the natural enemies  
 of Republican principles, and that is the  
 Republican who fails to go to the polls.  
 That class of Republicans have defeated  
 more Republican tickets than the Demo-  
 crats ever have. The judicial election  
 takes place Monday, June 7. The Republi-  
 can candidates are: For supreme judge,  
 Judge Wilkin; for circuit judges, Vail,  
 Wright and Cochran. The district is Re-  
 publican and the only danger of a failure  
 to elect these men lies in the fact that a  
 lot of Republicans may fail to go to the  
 polls and the fight must be made to get Re-  
 publicans to go to the polls. The only  
 hope the Democrats have of electing their  
 men is the aid they expect from the stay-  
 at-home Republicans. It is a reflection  
 upon our free institutions that one lot of  
 freemen with no more responsibility are  
 compelled to work and toil to induce an-  
 other lot to go to the polls. In a republic  
 like this there should be no such thing as  
 a freeman staying away from the polls on  
 election day. The weakness of a republic  
 is always in the men who fail to do their  
 duty on election day, the day when all  
 men are called upon to express their opin-  
 ions if they have any. If they have no  
 opinion then they are not entitled to en-  
 joy the blessings of liberty.

## The Cuban Situation.

Evidence is not lacking that in official  
 quarters and among the American people  
 there is a well established conviction that

the war in Cuba should be brought to an  
 end and that there is a heavy responsibility  
 resting upon this government which  
 directs it to become a factor in ending the  
 war. Cuba lies at our very door. Our  
 trade with the island under normal con-  
 ditions has been immense. The Cubans  
 are fighting for the same liberty in gov-  
 ernment that we enjoy all of which makes  
 us kin to them. The Spanish government  
 has waged a war fought with atrocities  
 of the most diabolical kind. Its com-  
 mander in the island has shown himself a  
 brute instead of a military commander.  
 He has disregarded the rights of Ameri-  
 can citizens and their property and all  
 these things combined have brought the  
 United States close to the Cuban struggle,  
 so close indeed, that it is evident that the  
 United States must have something to  
 say as to ending the war as speedily as  
 possible. The question is what the man-  
 ner of this interference shall be. With a  
 mass of evidence in the state department  
 showing the brutal work of Weyler and  
 his disregard of Americans on the island  
 the president has sent a special envoy to  
 the island to review the conditions there  
 while the senate has just passed a resolu-  
 tion recognizing the belligerency of the  
 Cubans. Another thing of importance  
 which has been done by congress is that it  
 has appropriated \$50,000 for the relief of  
 American citizens in the island who are  
 starving as the result of Weyler's order  
 forcing the people from their farms into  
 the towns where they can get no subsis-  
 tence. Outside of this there is a suspicion  
 that after all the president after the re-  
 port of the special envoy has been submit-  
 ted may elect to recognize the independ-  
 ence of the Cubans and end the matter  
 permanently. In any event the war in  
 Cuba will be ended in a little while and  
 in bringing this about the government of  
 the United States will be a factor.

## Rebukes the Machine.

The sudden and complete overthrow of  
 the gerrymander scheme of the Chicago  
 machine by the senate is another rebuke  
 to that discredited gang for whom the  
 Republican party has no use, but who,  
 like blood-sucking leeches not only hang  
 on to the party for what they can get out  
 of it but insist upon administering the  
 affairs of the party. But rebukes do not  
 count with these people and some people  
 wonder why this is so. The reason is  
 very plain. They constitute what is  
 known as a political machine, such things  
 as are foisted upon a party where it has  
 great majorities, not with the view of aid-  
 ing the party to maintain majorities, but  
 for the purpose of dictating the nomi-  
 nees of the party shall be, and getting  
 the offices on the theory that anybody  
 they name can be elected—that all loyal  
 Republicans must vote for the nominees.  
 When the rank and file fail to respond to  
 their dictation as was the case in the re-  
 cent mayoralty election in Chicago then  
 they assume the attitude of rule or ruin.  
 mixed with a desire to get even with  
 somebody who failed to obey their orders.  
 This is the reason they are not affected by  
 a rebuke. They are political brutes.  
 With them courtesies are mere follies,  
 honor is unknown, the use of the party to  
 get themselves in office is the only policy  
 they know and in organisms of that  
 kind no sting of rebuke ever enters. At  
 the present time they are engaged in  
 using the proposed reapportionment of  
 the state to down Congressman Foss and  
 other Republicans who have refused to  
 become their slaves.

This combination has done more during  
 its existence which dates back to 1894 to  
 injure the party than all the party's open  
 enemies. The Republican party will not  
 endure dictation by a lot of small bosses.  
 They are offensive to the party and so  
 long as they exist they drive votes away  
 from the party and bring none to it.

## Praise for Pastor Hall.

In the issue of the Christian Oracle,  
 Chicago, published May 20, appears over  
 a column reference to the Christian taber-  
 nacle in Decatur and Pastor Hall's work.  
 The writer of the article, Clara J. Yennell,  
 says: "All of our cities need such a con-  
 tinuous revival as is being conducted in  
 Decatur. This should be the normal con-  
 dition of every church. Everything and  
 everybody should be in motion. This is  
 the secret of Hall's unequalled success,  
 he keeps things and people moving. It is  
 not great learning, he claims but little.  
 Although he is a man of extensive infor-  
 mation and knows his dictionary and en-  
 cyclopedia as well as his bible and pen-  
 cill he knows men better than all. He  
 is not a sensationalist as is frequently  
 claimed. He is a plain, practical, simple  
 speaker. I know of few preachers who  
 are less pretentious and bombastic; he  
 hates humbug and hypocrisy with a holy  
 hatred. Life with him is real, life is  
 earnest and he has no patience with mean-  
 ness of any kind. His intensity may  
 leave the impression of narrowness and  
 intolerance on some. To appreciate him  
 properly one needs to cover the whole  
 ground with him. He does not scatter,  
 but concentrates upon one thing at a  
 time, whilst he has a general oversight  
 over everything and keeps all going.  
 Whatever he is not, he is a great general  
 and good generalship means the greatest  
 amount of victory attainable in any con-  
 flict."

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## QUEEN OF THE MAROTSE.

Dusky Monarch Who Is Not as  
 Gentle as She Might Be.

She Has Already Killed Six Husbands  
 and Is Now Living with No. Seven  
 —Her Success as a "Thorn  
 Remover."

This is a picture of an African queen,  
 and she is a very important person in  
 her way. Every explorer who has en-  
 tered the large country of the Marotse  
 in the upper Zambesi valley within the  
 past few years has told of Queen  
 Mokwai. This picture of her is taken  
 from Dr. James Johnston's capital  
 book, "Reality vs. Romance." He met  
 the queen during his visit in 1891-92;  
 and Capt. A. S. H. Gibbons, of the Brit-  
 ish army, who traveled in the Marotse  
 country last year, has given further de-  
 tails about this remarkable but not par-  
 ticularly admirable woman. In Dr.  
 Johnston's picture of her she appears  
 with 25 slave girls sitting in a half circle  
 around her.

Queen Mokwai derives her importance  
 from an unwritten but time-honored  
 law of her country. She is the eldest  
 surviving sister of the ruling king and,  
 according to the unwritten constitution,  
 without her advice and sanction her  
 brother, King Lewanika, is debarred  
 from giving effect to any im-  
 portant measure. She holds the veto  
 power, and as she is a much more de-  
 termined character than her vacillat-  
 ing and pusillanimous brother, she is  
 the real power in the great Marotse  
 country. She lives at Nalolo, on the  
 Zambesi, about 20 miles below Lilului,  
 where the king resides, and when she  
 visits the capital of the kingdom she  
 goes in state. When Dr. Johnston saw  
 her she had come to Sefula, near the  
 capital, attended by 150 women, to be  
 present at the marriage of the king's  
 eldest son; and there was a great flour-  
 ish of trumpets when she and her  
 retinue of the gentler sex came into  
 view.

While nothing can be done in all-im-  
 portant affairs of state without con-  
 sulting queen Mokwai, she rules su-  
 preme in the minor, local affairs of her  
 own district. Capt. Gibbons says, that  
 she holds the power of life and death



QUEEN MOKWAI  
 (Champion Husband Killer of Africa.)

over her subjects. She is at liberty to  
 wed or depose a husband whenever she  
 pleases, and she lives quite up to her  
 opportunities in these respects. The  
 man she has honored by making him  
 her husband last year was No. 7. She  
 had killed all his predecessors, and it  
 is therefore a very precarious under-  
 taking to become the husband of  
 Queen Mokwai. No. 6 had earned for  
 himself the universal respect of the  
 people by his kind and just treatment  
 of all. The people loved him, and the  
 queen could not stand that, for jeal-  
 ousy and envy are the woman's  
 leading passions. So she had him  
 come to her hut to drink beer, and  
 two young men, armed with spears,  
 were stationed there with instruc-  
 tions to kill the poor fellow when she  
 gave the signal. She gave the sign, but  
 the young men, less hard-hearted than  
 their mistress, hesitated. With a  
 curse the woman seized a Portuguese  
 sabre and ran her victim through. As  
 he fell she remarked, contentiously:  
 "Thus has a thorn been removed from  
 my flesh."

This metaphor seems to be generally  
 employed when the queen desires to  
 announce the violent death of another  
 of her victims. Dr. Johnston says that  
 on one occasion the queen, after kill-  
 ing a man with her own hand, sum-  
 moned her erier and ordered him to  
 announce to the town that "the queen  
 had had a thorn removed from her foot  
 this morning." He adds that Mokwai's  
 reign has been stained by many a cruel  
 act of murder and bloodshed, and she  
 avenges herself particularly on those  
 who are the objects of her jealousy.

In his talk with the queen, Capt. Gib-  
 bons, who had met her daughter, the  
 ruling princess of Sesheke, and her  
 husband, spoke in laudatory terms of  
 them. A full translation of her reply  
 is: "Oh, they are merely small fry,  
 I and Lewanika are the big wigs in  
 this part of the world."

Mokwai and her brother, the king,  
 have signed a treaty, placing their  
 country under the British flag, but as  
 yet, says the New York Sun, the Brit-  
 ish have not established any semblance  
 of authority over the land, and this  
 savage queen is still at liberty to kill  
 as many husbands and other persons as  
 she pleases.

When Man Is Weakest.  
 A man is precisely his weakest when  
 he turns out of bed in the morning.  
 The muscular force is greatly increased  
 by breakfast, but it attains to its high-  
 est point after the midday meal. It  
 then sinks for a few hours and then  
 rises again toward evening.

Classes in Laundry Work.  
 Laundry classes, at which little girls  
 are taught how to wash and iron, are  
 now established in connection with  
 boarding schools in London, and are re-  
 ported to have proved thoroughly sat-  
 isfactory this year—their first.

In all the capitals of Europe save Lon-  
 don some theatres are kept up by govern-  
 ment support.

A company has been incorporated in  
 Denver to furnish bail for prisoners in  
 criminal cases.

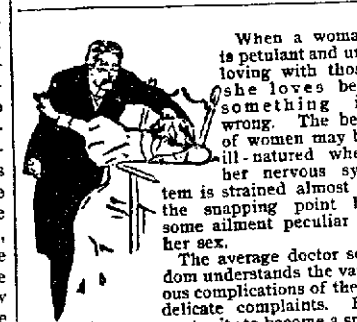
The postoffice department building was  
 erected in 1839 and extended in 1855, at a  
 cost of over \$2,000,000.

The treasury building was completed in  
 1869 at a cost of \$8,000,000. It is the  
 largest government department.

The capitol rotunda is ninety-five feet  
 six inches in diameter, and from floor to  
 canopy measures 188 feet 8 inches.

Garden Seeds.  
 Just received a large stock of all kinds  
 of D. M. Ferry & Co.'s fresh bulk garden  
 seeds, at the Spencer & Lehman Co.'s—  
 Jan 9-2d&wt

Sales of Real Estate.  
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 William Traver to Vincent A. Stookey,  
 lot 1, block 3, May Bros. & Traver's ad-  
 dition of the southeast quarter of 3, 16,  
 2 east—\$1000.



When a woman is petulant and un-  
 loving with those  
 she loves best,  
 something is  
 wrong. The best  
 of women may be  
 ill-natured when  
 her nervous sys-  
 tem is strained almost  
 to the snapping point  
 by some ailment pecu-  
 liar to her sex.

The average doctor sel-  
 dom understands the var-  
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 delicate complaints. He  
 has no time or opportunity to become a spe-  
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 ment. Our stock is too ample for  
 these hard times, and we propose  
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Master in Chancery's Sale.  
 STATE OF ILLINOIS, ss. In the Circuit  
 Court,  
 MAON COUNTY, ss.  
 George Nebinger, Complainant, vs. Otto E. Web-  
 ber et al., Defendants.—In Chancery; No.  
 15566.

Public notice is hereby given that in pur-  
 suance of a decree of the circuit court of Macon  
 county, State of Illinois, entered in the above  
 entitled cause at the January Term of said court,  
 A. D. 1897, J. James J. Finn, Master in Chan-  
 cery of said court, will on  
 Saturday, the 19th day of June, 1897,  
 at 2 o'clock p. m. of said day, at the north door  
 of the court house on East Wood street, in the  
 city of Decatur, in said county, offer for sale  
 public vendue to the highest and best bidder for  
 cash in hand, subject to redemption according  
 to law, the real estate in said decree ordered to  
 be sold, being described as follows, to-wit:  
 Lot (5) and six (6) in Block two (2) of Rail-  
 road Addition to the City of Macon in Macon  
 county, Illinois.

Dated at Decatur, Illinois, this 21st day of  
 May, 1897.  
 JAMES J. FINN, Master in Chancery.  
 W. T. Cousins, Complainant's Solicitor.  
 May 21-2d

Administrator's Notice.  
 Estate of John Cullen, Deceased.  
 The undersigned having been appointed admin-  
 istrator of the estate of John Cullen, late  
 of the county of Macon and state of Illinois, de-  
 ceased, hereby gives notice that he will appear  
 before the county court of Macon county, at the  
 court house in Decatur, at the July term, on  
 the first Monday in July next, at which time  
 all persons having claims against said estate are  
 notified and requested to attend for the purpose  
 of having the same adjusted. All persons in-  
 debted to said estate are requested to make im-  
 mediate payment to the undersigned.  
 Dated this 21st day of May, 1897.  
 JOHN WIN PARK, Administrator.  
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Ladies' \$5.00 Black Brocaded  
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Ladies' \$4.00 Black Silk Waists  
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Ladies' White Linen Collars, all the  
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Ladies' Shirt Waist Sets, all the newest  
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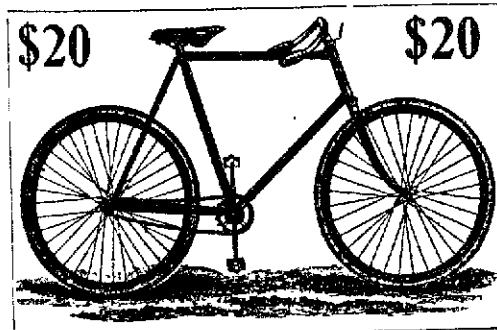
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When a Boy He Helped His Father at the Tavern—He Comes of Stewart Republican Stock—A Native of Maine.

To the student of current politics there is perhaps just now no personality more interesting than that of Frank S. Black, governor of the state of New York. There are those who assume to be able to sum up correctly his political virtues and vices, and to tell us just how much of his rather remarkable success to date has been due to luck.

By these critics Mr. Black is classed among the accidents of politics, but the truth is they know very little of the man, and by the very flippancy of their judgment do him injustice.

Men who were acquainted with Gov. Black in his youthful days, and who have been more or less familiar with his struggles in life, unhesitatingly place to his credit the possession of marked ability, and recall that he has always been noted for both industry and perseverance.

He was born in Limington, a small and typical farming town in York county, Me. Jacob Black, his father, says the New York Herald, was a small farmer, almost severe in his honesty and very firm in his family discipline. The mother of Gov. Black, Charlotte B. Black, is described as an intelligent and tactful woman.

A former preceptor of the governor's remembers him as "a wide-awake, active, thoughtful boy." Like all boys, "he was fond of sports, but there was nothing mean or deceitful in his make-up; at play he was always fair and above board, and so he was in all his dealings with his fellows. He was fond of reading, and was always thorough in his school work."

Another teacher, of nearly 30 years ago, remembers young Black chiefly because of "his diligence and application to his studies."

"Whatever the task may have been," he says, "Frank Black applied himself



FRANK S. BLACK.  
(Governor of the State of New York.)

to it with a fixity of purpose and stuck to it with a degree of perseverance which are certain to bring success to any boy in the long run."

Young Black received his first schooling in Limington, and later continued his studies at the grammar and high school in Alfred, the shire town of the county. He was a lad of 12 years when his parents removed from Limington to Alfred, an event made necessary by his father's acceptance of an appointment to be deputy sheriff in charge of the county jail.

The senior Black held this position about four years, the son meanwhile assisting him in many ways.

In 1871 the young man entered Dartmouth college, from which institution he was graduated in 1875. To a considerable extent he paid his own way through the academic course by teaching school between terms, and it may be said to his credit that, after the death of his father he earned enough money to cancel a debt which had accumulated upon his father's estate.

While Jacob Black was deputy sheriff and jailer he kept one of the principal taverns in Alfred, typical of the time and locality. It was then, and is now, called the County house, and presents to-day much the same appearance it did 30 years ago, when the present governor of New York helped to do the chores and contributed not a little to the popularity of the hostelry.

Political feeling ran high in "Old York" in those days, and Alfred, as the shire town and seat of justice, was a center of political activity and intrigue. Jacob Black, a sturdy republican, and Col. Berry, a very zealous democrat, kept rival taverns.

During court time nearly all of the republican lawyers, jurors and witnesses who came to Alfred "put up" at Black's tavern, and those of the democratic persuasion at Berry's. It was a common sight on the opening day of the spring or fall term of the court to see from 50 to 100 vehicles in the yard and along the stretches of greensward in front of the two village taverns.

Mr. Black resided in Alfred until the end of his fourth term, when he purchased a fine farm in Lebanon, another town, and removed to it. He subsequently sold this place to Ole Bull, the famous Norwegian violinist, and again removed, this time to Limerick, a nearby town, where, in 1881, he died.

Late Babylonian Discoveries.

Two expeditions which are at work unearthing antiquities in Babylonia (one American and one French) have recently made some valuable "finds." The most notable result of the excavations is that the history of the Babylonian people, recorded in cuneiform writings on tablets, dates back at least 2,350 years further than had formerly been known. There is now abundant written evidence that the Babylonian people were sufficiently civilized to write 7,000 years before Christ.



AN ORDINANCE

To Establish the Office of City Electrician; to Regulate and Define the Duties of such Office, and to Establish Rules and Regulations Concerning Electrical Wiring and Appliances.

As it is ordained by the City Council of the City of Decatur, Illinois:

Section 1. The city electrician for the city of Decatur shall have general supervision over and he is hereby authorized, empowered and directed to regulate and determine the placing, stringing and attaching of all telegraph, telephone or electric light and power or other wires in said city so as to prevent fires or accidents or injury to person or property and to see that all such wires and all electrical appliances to be placed, constructed and guarded as not to cause fires or accidents or endanger life or property; and whenever in the judgment of said city electrician any electrical wire shall be defective, by reason of improper or insufficient insulation, or for any other cause, the said city electrician shall at once notify the owner thereof of such defect, and order him to repair or remove the same; and upon the owner's failure or refusal so to do within a reasonable time, the said city electrician shall cause the repair or removal of the same; and the expense thereof may be recovered by the city in an action against the person, firm or company owning such wire.

Sec. 2. The said city electrician or any other competent person delegated by him shall make a thorough inspection of all electrical wires and appliances within the city of Decatur at least once in each year and where wires or appliances are in a dangerous or unsafe condition he shall notify the person, firm or company owning, using or operating them, to place them in a safe and secure condition. Any person, firm or company failing or refusing to make the necessary repairs or changes and have such work completed within thirty (30) days after the receipt of said notice, shall be subject to a penalty of five dollars for each and every day which shall elapse until said wires or appliances are repaired, removed or changed as directed by said city electrician.

Sec. 3. It shall be the duty of the city electrician to see that the placing, stringing and attaching of wires upon poles erected in the streets and alleys of said city that the same shall cause as little obstruction either to travel on the streets or to the use and enjoyment of private property as possible, and to secure the joint use of poles wherever practicable.

Sec. 4. The said city electrician or person delegated by him, shall have the right during reasonable hours to enter any building in the discharge of his official duties, or for the purpose of making any tests of the electrical wiring or appliances therein contained, and shall have the power to cause the removal of all wires, or the turning off of all electrical currents where the circuits interfere with the work of the fire department.

Sec. 5. No alteration or change shall be made in the wiring of any building nor shall any building be wired for the placing of electric lights, motors, or heating devices without a due notification of the city electrician, and submitting the same to his inspection. All wiring to be hidden from view shall be inspected before concealment, and the person, firm or company doing such work shall notify the city electrician, giving him ample time to make such inspection. Upon the completion of the wiring of any building, it shall be the duty of the person, firm or company doing the same to notify the said city electrician who shall at once inspect the same, and if approved by him, shall issue a certificate of satisfactory inspection, which shall contain the date of such inspection, and an outline of the result of such examination, but no such certificate shall be issued unless the electric light, power or heating insulation and all apparatus, wires, etc., connected with it shall be in strict conformity with the rules and regulations hereinafter set forth; nor shall current be turned on such insulation until said certificate is issued.

Sec. 6. All electrical construction, all material and all appliances used in connection with electrical work, and the operation of all electrical apparatus, shall be in conformity with the rules and regulations set down in what is known as the "National Code of Electrical Rules for the Installation of Wiring and Apparatus for Electric Light and Power," as the same are now generally established, and the said rules and regulations are hereby adopted and approved.

Sec. 7. The said city electrician shall keep, or cause to be kept, a full and complete record of all work done, or examinations made as required by the provisions of this ordinance or its rules, and make a full report to the Fire Commissioners at the end of each fiscal year.

Sec. 8. Any person, firm or company who shall violate any of the provisions of this ordinance, or fail, neglect or refuse to comply with the rules and provisions of this ordinance or who shall fail, neglect or refuse to comply with any order or request of the city electrician, or competent person delegated by him, in pursuance of and by the authority of any of the provisions of this ordinance or the rules therein contained, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, and upon conviction thereof shall be subject to a fine of not less than ten and not more than one hundred dollars, for each offense.

Sec. 9. This ordinance shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage and legal publication.

Passed this 17th day of May A. D. 1897.

Approved this 18th day of May A. D. 1897.

Published this 21st day of May A. D. 1897.

B. Z. TAYLOR,  
Attest, John A. Beve, Mayor.

City Clerk.

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UMBRELLAS—A nice twilled English Gloria Sun Umbrella at 50c.

A fine silk twilled Umbrella at 88c.

An extra fine twilled Silk Umbrella (\$2.50 kind) at \$1.48.

SKIRTS—An extra well made figured Mohair Skirt at \$1.98.

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WAISTS—An elegant fine dimity and mull Waist, the \$1.50 and \$2.00 kind, on sale at 98c. They have the white collars.

A good percale or lawn Waist, all the late colors with separate collars, at 49c.

Hosiery—Special Values this week.

100 dozen Ladies' Seamless Hosiery, the 12½c kind, at 8c per pair.

MUSLIN UNDERWEAR—Ladies' good muslin Gowns, embroidery trimmed, at 50c.

An elegant line of finer gowns, the \$1.25 and \$1.50 kind, at 98c.

Ladies' Cambric ruffled Drawers, the Umbrella style, at 25c.

Ladies' White Skirts, embroidery trimmed, at 50c.

SHOES—A nice Oxford Low Shoe in black, tans and oxbloods, on sale at 98c a pair.

Ladies' Button Shoes at \$1.50, \$2.00 and \$2.50.

CURTAINS—Special low prices on Lace Curtains this week at 98c, \$1.50 and \$1.98 per pair.

Good 7-foot Cloth Window Shades at 25c.

WRAPPERS—See the best Calico Wrappers at 98c each.

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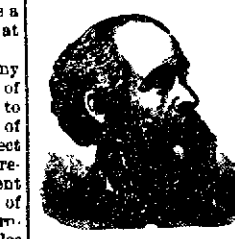
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Blood and Skin Diseases, Scrofula, Erysipelas, Boils, Pimples, Ulcers, Pain in the Head and Bones, Enlargement of the Neck, Rheumatism, Catarrh, etc., permanently cured when others have failed.

Consumption The idea that Consumption is incurable is fast becoming obsolete. This dread and incurable disease is curable in the same stakes as other diseases are. I have treated a large number of well marked cases of this malady during the past fifteen years and have succeeded in curing the greater portion of them. I would urge all who have symptoms of the first stages of this disease to call at once and have appropriate treatment before the malady becomes confirmed.

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We bought from a large manufacturer of Ladies' Fine Shoes at a big reduction 50 dozen Ladies' Vici Kid Shoes, made up on new, up-to-date lasts—nice, clean stock and in all sizes, C, D and E widths. We want to close this lot out quick and thereby give the buying public a benefit. They were made to sell at \$3.00 to \$3.50 and would be cheap at that, but they go in this sale at \$2.38.

...Tube Rose Bulbs Free...

With every CASH purchase of one dollar we give you a Tube Rose Bulb FREE

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### SOCIETY MEETINGS.

**COURT OF HONOR**—Regular meeting of the Decatur District Court, No. 39, this evening at 8 o'clock in G. A. R. hall. L. H. CLARK, Worthy Chancellor. J. M. BLAINE, Recorder.

### LOCAL NEWS.

German household dyes at Irwin's. Denz, Tailor, 117 North Water St. Smoke the Little J., 5-cent, cigar, made by Jacob Keck.

Go to Henry's bakery for all kinds of bread, cakes, pies, etc. June 22-dif

Smoke the famous Leda, a fine 10 cent, made by John Weigand. May 25 tf.

Irwin's kola celery compound is the best marine and blood purifier.

On and after June 1st we will close on Sunday. Pearl Oyster and Fish Co. Telephone 344. 4d30t.

Irwin's penetrating liniment cures neuralgia.

Ask your druggist for the German Catarrh Cure, a positive cure for catarrh, asthma, cough, colds and headache. mar 16-dif

Irwin's Casarea tablets cures habitual constipation; ninety doses for twenty-five cents.

Buy your garden, flower and field seeds of Dan Culp, the old reliable seedman fresh stock and all varieties of garden seed in bulk. No. 228 North Main street. Durfee & Culp.—1-dwtf

The First Baptist Sunday school will have their annual picnic at Macdonald Tuesday, June 16th and on that date will run an excursion, the fare for the round trip being fifty cents. The members invite all their friends to take advantage of the cheap rate and go along with them. Tickets are on sale at the stores of J. E. Saxton and R. S. Bohon.—19-d4t

Only one dollar for the round trip to Springfield via the Wabash railroad on Sunday May 30th. It is under the auspices of the German Catholic Aid Society. Special train leaves Decatur at 8:15 a. m., returning leaves Springfield at 7:30 p. m. Tickets for sale at the Shlauder-Hotel, Henry Bros. bakery or by the committee, A. Spaeth, L. Schuerman and Frank Keckelsen. Also at the depot Sunday morning.

### ATTACKED BY A BULL.

Will Flit, Employed at the Croy Dairy, Had a Narrow Escape This Morning.

Will Flit, a man employed at the Croy dairy, had an unpleasant experience this morning with a vicious bull. Flit works about the barn and this morning he was riding on a horse when the bull attacked him. The animal struck the man on the ankle and sprained it severely. At first it was thought that his leg was broken but the injury was not serious. He will probably be 'aid up for several days as a result. The bull is a vicious animal and is the same one which attacked Mr. Croy several months ago. Croy was thrown down and badly bruised and if it had not been for a timely rescue he would probably have been killed.

### ADDITIONAL PERSONALIA.

—C. B. Hughes went to Warrensburg today on a business trip.

—J. W. Crane arrived home last night from Moweaqua where he has been on a business trip.

—Knox P. Taylor, state Sunday school evangelist, is in the city visiting Rev. Marion Stevenson.

—Justice P. B. Provost went to Chicago this morning on a business trip.

—Attorney A. H. Mills was at Mt. Pleasant today on professional business.

—C. H. Ball, who has been with Phillips & Wood for the past ten days, will return to his home in Chicago tomorrow.

—Colonel Kirk Palmer, the district passenger agent for the Rock Island, was in the city today on business.

—Miss Cordelia Williams left today for Champaign where she will attend the high school contest. She was accompanied by Miss Steele of Champaign, who has been visiting in the city.

—F. O. D. of A. Special meeting of P. O. D. of D. at P. O. S. of D. hall this (Friday) evening at 8 o'clock. All members requested to be present.

Special Rose Sale. Roses, all colors, \$50, 500 and 600 a dozen, Saturday only at Gullott's flower store. Nice fresh stock. Call and see the flowers. Millikin building.

Special Prices on Quinine. 2-Grain Quinine Pills, 25c per 100. Powers & Weightman's Quinine, 50c per ounce.

Empty Capsules—best—15c per 100. West's Drug Store.

Cigars. Havaneses.....100 for \$1.75 Little Diana.....100 for \$1.50 5 for 10

Special prices to the trade. For sale at L. CHODAT'S NEWS BLOES.

## SOCIAL EVENTS.

Mothers and Children Entertained

To-Day by Mrs. Everett

J. Brown.

MRS. J. M. GRAY GIVES A PARTY.

The Misses Shellabarger Will Hold a

Reception This Evening—Card

Party Given Yesterday

Morning.

Quite a unique entertainment was given this afternoon by Mrs. Everett J. Brown at her home, No. 440 West Main street. It was called a Kinderfest as it was a feast for children. About forty ladies were invited for the afternoon and all of them who had children under five years of age brought the little ones with them. The residence was decorated with a profusion of snow balls, the white flowers being emblematic of the purity of childhood. On the porch and in the yard were arranged hammocks and little chairs and the children had a splendid afternoon. A vote was taken on the prettiest baby and the best behaved baby. To one was given as a prize a volume of Eugene Field's children's poems, and to another a copy of Riley's poems. During the afternoon Miss Beatrice Howard sang a solo entitled "Where Did You Come From, Baby Dear." Mrs. T. T. Roberts read Field's poem, "Lizzie's Baby," and Mrs. A. E. Murphy read James Whitcomb Riley's poem, "The Lost Kid." At 3:30 o'clock the little ones were served refreshments and at 4 o'clock they were excused after which the ladies were served supper. The entertainment was a most pleasant one for both the mothers and children.

Mrs. Brown was assisted in receiving by Mrs. Edward Brown of New Berlin, Ill. The following were the ladies who were present: Mesdames Frank Curtis, L. E. Eyman, R. S. Bohon, George W. Powers, John Prostley, W. H. Penhalligon, H. L. Oldham, A. T. Whitell, S. W. Johns, Charles Murphy, Frank Roach, A. G. Murphy, Harley Maris, S. M. Lutz, James L. Bevans, A. T. Summers, Theron Powers, C. C. Leforgee, Oscar Dawson, Charles Dawson, Will Shellabarger, Lucien Shellabarger, W. M. Catto, Charles Powers, George Mueller, Frank Young, G. D. Thomas, A. C. Race, Frank Elwood, Ed Hill, C. L. Griswold, Cliff Betzer, A. H. Lander, J. F. Given, Sherman McClelland, Frank Roby, B. Bradley, Thomas McReynolds, J. M. Ciolek, Will Hellman, Ed Hellman, A. B. Alexander, Aten Lytle, T. T. Roberts, E. P. Bishop, V. N. Hostetter, Will Barnes and Albert Barnes.

A number of ladies were handsomely entertained this afternoon by Mrs. J. M. Gray at her home, No. 52 West William street. The occasion was a card party and the guests passed the afternoon playing six-hand euchre. A large bunch of roses was given as a prize to the winner. At the close of the game supper was served on the card tables. The house was tastefully decorated with flowers and plants. The guests included the following ladies: Mesdames G. C. Kinman, T. S. Hoskins, W. H. Suffer, J. G. Stauffer, J. W. Graham, W. H. Elwood, Edgar Alexander, C. R. Briggs, Lizzie Bell, S. P. Young, H. R. Maris, S. R. Hunt, F. R. Stoner, P. H. Vredenburg, Evans S. Young, M. Einstein, George W. Powers, M. W. Shultz, R. L. Watson, F. D. Caldwell, G. A. Stadler, A. C. Race, S. T. Noebelt, B. C. Applegate, and Mesdames Fannie Bell, Eve Hammer, Anna Strohm, Alice and Jennie Hanford, Eugenia Harris, Bessie Young, Lola and Lida Montgomery and Nettie Wurzburg.

This evening Misses Grace and Corinne Shellabarger will give an informal reception at their home at the corner of East Eldorado and Franklin streets. The guests are invited from 8 till 11 o'clock. Those who will assist in receiving are the Misses Lord of Orange, N. J., Miss Rutledge of Ft. Wayne, Miss Mollie Tuttle, Miss Margaret Roberts, Miss Anna Roberts, Miss Bessie Young, Mrs. Will Shellabarger and Mrs. Lucien Shellabarger.

Yesterday morning Mrs. V. G. Hatch entertained a few ladies at her home on West William street in honor of Mrs. James Barrett, who is visiting in the city. The ladies passed the morning playing cards, after which lunch was served.

Miss Maggie Lukenbill of Forsyth, was brought to the city yesterday and had a tumor removed from her arm by Dr. Morgan from which she had been suffering for a number of months. She was taken to her home late in the evening and today she is quite comfortable.

### IT WAS A GREAT SALE.

Elegant Pianos Disposed of Rapidly at the Disolution Sale.

The bargain sale of pianos at the Phillips & Wood music house on North Water street, will close this evening. Since the dissolution sale was inaugurated ten days ago the interest in the marvellously low prices has been widespread and daily the rooms have been crowded with eager buyers. The sale has been greater than the

gentlemen had expected, and they are highly gratified over the result besides participating in the pleasure of the people who embraced the opportunity afforded in securing the splendid instruments.

The management conducted the sale with a snap and energy that brought quick results. First general interest was awakened in the easy payment plan offered, and then followed the eagerness of the people to make selections. The pianos are among the best to be had in the leading music houses of the country. The famous pianists and composers of the country commend the instruments. The sale will conclude tonight. Don't fail to make a selection at the factory cost. This will be your last opportunity.

### TENTH ANNIVERSARY.

Interesting Service to be Held Sunday Afternoon at the College Street Chapel.

At the College street chapel next Sunday afternoon a service will be held to celebrate the tenth anniversary of the organization of the church. The exercises will be of special interest. Among the speakers will be Rev. Prestley of Kankakee, W. R. Scruggs, A. H. Mills, P. P. Laughlin and Miss Jessie Darling. There will also be special music for the occasion. The chapel was organized on May 2, 1887, and since that time has grown very rapidly. The prime mover in the organization was W. T. Evans. There were at first three Sunday school teachers and only four pupils but it was only a short time until the attendance was quite large. The meetings of the Sunday school were at first held at the residence of Mrs. Jones on North Edward street. In the following July a little three room cottage on West King street was rented and this was used for a place of meeting until the little chapel on North College street was erected. This was ready for occupancy the Sunday before Christmas the same year as the organization of the Sunday school. The chapel was started while Rev. Prestley was pastor of the First Presbyterian church of this city and it was a branch of that body. It was the first mission in the city to grow out of one of the churches but since it was organized many of the other churches have started missions in different parts of Decatur.

The Sunday school has constantly grown. About a year ago it was found that the building was much too small to accommodate the number of children attending the Sunday school and an addition to the place was made at an expenditure of about \$1000. Now there are almost 200 pupils in the Sunday school and the chapel is again too small. The desire now is to erect a larger building and it is most likely that such a movement will soon be started. Sunday report of the attendance and work will be given and the history and future of the little church will be discussed.

### DECATUR LADIES LOST.

Springfield Players Defeat Them in a Game of Whist.

Springfield Journal, 21st: "The ladies of the Springfield Whist club defeated the members of the Decatur Whist club yesterday in a friendly but spirited contest at the home of Mrs. Stuart Brown. The Springfield ladies were victorious by seven or eight tricks. The house was prettily decorated and the affair proved a most pleasant one. The twenty visitors arrived from Decatur at noon. They were met at the station by the local players. They were entertained at lunch by the different members of the local club. The contest took place in the afternoon and at 6 o'clock refreshments were served at the home of Mrs. Brown by the ladies. The Decatur ladies returned home at 9:15 o'clock last evening. A return game in that city will probably be arranged."

The score was 31 to 14. The Decatur ladies protest that they can do much better the next time and they are exceedingly anxious to try again. The visitors speak in the highest praise of the entertainment given them at the capital.

### NEW FRUITS AND VEGETABLES.

Produce Which Can be Procured To-Morrow in the Local Market.

Tomorrow there will be a fine selection of fruits and vegetables to select from and many of them are at a low price. Strawberries are now at their height and are of a splendid quality. They come mostly from the southern part of the state. Berries of the finest quality and flavor can be bought at 15 cents or two boxes for 25 cents, and another good grade can be purchased at 10 cents per box. New potatoes are now in the market but are quite expensive. They are small and sell at 50 cents per peck. New cherries are offered at 10 cents per box. Pineapples are also plentiful and bring from 15 to 20 cents each. Oranges sell for about 20 cents per dozen. Other vegetables which can be bought are spinach at 10 cents per peck, asparagus, radishes, new onions, beets at five cents a bunch. Lettuce sells for 5 cents per head.

### FULL BAND AT THE PARK.

Prof. Walter Will Vary the Concert with Special Features.

The Goodman band of thirty pieces will be at Riverside park Sunday afternoon and give their first open air concert of the season. They will play every Sunday afternoon at the park when the weather is favorable. There is no better band outfit in the state and band the library contains the latest and most popular music. Prof. Walter will introduce special features in connection with the concert Sunday afternoon. Visitors are to be in the city from Indianapolis.

## SEEN IN DECATUR.

Mrs. Louisa Luetgert Supposed to be Alive and Demented.

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### MYSTERY OF THE CHICAGO MURDER.

The Missing Wife of the Sausage Maker Said to Have Been in a

Local Saloon on Tuesday Last.

Louis Luetgert is in the Chicago jail charged with the murder of his wife, whom it is charged, he killed at his sausage factory. The supposed remains of the woman, together with finger rings, the wore, were found by the officers one of the big vats. Mrs. Luetgert had disappeared and murder was laid at the door of the husband. He contends that he did not kill his wife and that her disappearance is also a mystery to him. Luetgert has offered a reward of \$200 for information as to the whereabouts of his wife.

A woman supposed to have been the missing Mrs. Luetgert was seen at Kenosha, Wis., on May 5, and Chicago papers give considerable space to all that pertains to that story, printing the names of four persons who claim to have seen the lady.

The following is a description of Mrs. Luetgert:

Mrs. Luetgert is 42 years old, weighs 117 pounds and is about five feet high. The pictures published of her are a little too full in the face and flatter her somewhat. When she disappeared she was dressed in a brown flannel wrapper with small white spots, which was buttoned in front. She wore cloth slippers with leather soles, blue woolen stockings, a marlin chemise with small lace or "ratt-tracks," black corset, white cotton flannel drawers, and a square brownish gray shawl. She had blonde hair which reached to her shoulder blades and generally wore a switch. Her upper teeth were false and on a silver plate, two of her lower back teeth had gold crowns. She had a mole on her forehead one on her cheek and one on her chin.

It is claimed by John R. Dougherty that he saw Mrs. Luetgert in his saloon on Prairie avenue on last Tuesday forenoon. She answered perfectly the above description. Dougherty says: "I saw the woman pass my saloon and walk up to the bank corner. I went inside and a few minutes later the same woman came in at the back door. She had an umbrella and wore dark clothes. She seemed to be about 40 years of age and looked as if she had lost sleep or had been on a spree. She wanted a glass of beer, and said she had had no supper nor breakfast and that she was very thirsty. Said she had walked 130 miles and was a stranger in town. She inquired about the murders and I told her where the gun store and the factory could be found. The woman said there was a money order at the post-office for her. It had been sent to her from Chicago by her sister, but she did not get it until she could procure \$1 and she hoped to get that sum from Mrs. Mueller. I thought she was off in her head when she talked that way and I paid but little attention to her. She went out promising to come back and pay for the glass of beer. I have not seen or heard of her since, though one of the police officers thinks he saw the same woman on the streets on Tuesday, the day she was in my place. When I read the description of the missing woman in the Chicago papers yesterday I was sure that Mrs. Luetgert who was in my place was Mrs. Luetgert and I reported all I know about her to the officers. They have since been trying to locate her."

That was all Mr. Dougherty could tell in reply to the Muller places of business today falls to show that the woman called at either place on Tuesday. The Mullers do not know the Luetgerts and they cannot understand why the attorney should be seeking them except on the theory that she is demented.

Possibly the woman to whom Dougherty gave a glass of beer is the Luetgert woman. If so she should be located as soon as possible, because her husband stands charged with her murder.

The police will continue the search. It is probably that if she was here on Tuesday she is now far away in some other town on the route of her wanderings.

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## ENGLISH LANGUAGE.

Important Ruling of the Pope Transmitted to the Catholics of the United States.

### AS TO CHILDREN OF FOREIGN PARENTS

The Evident Purpose of the Ruling is to Make English the Language of the American Church.

Chicago, May 22.—Information obtained today that Rome has just transmitted to the Catholic church in the United States the most significant ruling of recent years bearing on ecclesiastical matters in America. The decision, which refers to parishes composed of foreigners, allows the children of foreign parents whose native language is not English to join the parish in which the English language is spoken if they desire, when they become of age. Catholics not born in America but who understand the English language also have the right to become members of parishes in which the English language is spoken. The evident purpose is to make English the language of the American church as speedily as possible. The ruling is perfectly consistent with the enlightened policy adopted and followed by Leo XIII.

### ORATORICAL CONTEST.

First Prizes Won by John Clendinning of the Lake High School, Chicago.

Urbana, Ill., May 22.—The annual contest of the Illinois Interscholastic Oratorical association was held last evening. The first prize was awarded to John Clendinning of the Lake high school, Chicago, and the second to Bertram G. Nelson of Englewood high school, Chicago. Ten contestants took part. Their names and the subjects of their orations are as follows:

"The Ruling Spirit," Burr Harrison, Swan Pittsfield high school; "A Plea for Poor People," Florence Hughes, Mattoon high school; "General Jose Antonio Maceo, Howard R. Van Law, Princeton high school; "The Impending Crisis," Wayne C. Williams, Decatur high school; "The American Policy," Angus Hull, West Aurora high school; "The Missouri Compromise," Steven Baker, Pontiac high school; "The Mission of the Rising Generation," Bertram G. Nelson, Englewood high school, Chicago; "Postal Savings Banks," Peter Moore, Galeburg high school; "Two Great Struggles for Freedom," Alfred T. Hemmingsway, Oak Park high school; "The Call of the Twentieth Century," John Clendinning, Lake high school, Chicago.

Revelations in the Transvaal Affair. London, May 22.—Rutherford Harris, former secretary of the British Chartered South African company, before the parliamentary committee yesterday, stated that the object of the Transvaal raid was to annex the rich mining districts of the Transvaal to Rhodesia. He asserted that the syndicate formed to speculate in the stocks of the company when news of the raid was published was composed of one of the chief officials of the company and one of the directors. The tenor of "Cryptograms" shows there was a divergence of opinion between Cecil Rhodes, his brother, and Alfred Beit, representatives among reformers, and that those not connected with the gang were responsible for the failure of the raid. These telegrams are damning, alike to chartered company and Rhodes. It is clear that the raid was planned by Cecil Rhodes and Secretary Beit.

Hastings' Slayer Pleads Not Guilty. Jacksonville, Ill., May 22.—Charles L. Draper, who has become famous on account of the murder of Hastings in Judge Kirby's office the night of March 31, was taken into court yesterday looking well. He is one of the most fervently religious men ever in jail here, though he was not known as an especially active man in church circles before he killed Hastings. He talks much with the prison missionary and seems anxious to warn all persons not to commit the mistake made by him. His lawyers, Judge O. P. Thompson of this city, and Colonel Pat Dyer of St. Louis, accompanied him, and after he had waived arraignment and pleaded not guilty they made an extended argument for a continuance, which was granted.

Murderer Hoelmann's Brain. Champaign, Ill., May 22.—The head of Fred Hoelmann, who was hanged at Joliet May 14 for the murder of Mrs. Geddes in Ford county, is now in possession of Prof. W. O. Krohn of the chair of psychology at the University of Illinois. A careful examination has been made of the brain and skull, and some of the dis-